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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 13, 2005, please reconsider the present application in light of the following amendments and comments.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper. A "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in the Appendix.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.